

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

PLAINTIFF

v.

Suk Min Choi

DEFENDANT.

☒ LA ☐ RS ☐ SA DATE FILED: 6/4/2024CASE NUMBER: 2:24-mj-03272-DUTY ☐ Under Seal

INIT. APP. DATE: 6/6/2024 TIME: 1:30 PM

CHARGING DOC: Complaint & Warrant

DEFENDANT STATUS: In Custody

☐ PREVIOUSLY CALENDARED HOSPITALIZED DEFENDANT

VIOLATION: 49:46505(b)(3)

COURTSMART/REPORTER:

PROCEEDINGS HELD BEFORE UNITED STATES
MAGISTRATE JUDGE Brianna Fuller MircheffCALENDAR/PROCEEDINGS SHEET
LOCAL/OUT-OF-DISTRICT CASE

PRESENT: Christianna Howard

Dominique M. Caamano

Deputy Clerk

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Interpreter / Language

- ☐ INITIAL APPEARANCE NOT HELD - CONTINUED *Sophia Carrillo*
- ☒ Court issues Order under Fed. R. Crim. P. 5(f) concerning prosecutor's disclosure obligations; see General Order 21-02 (written order).
- ☒ Defendant informed of charge and right to: remain silent; appointment of counsel, if indigent; right to bail; bail review and
☐ preliminary hearing OR ☐ removal hearing / Rule 20.
- ☒ Defendant states true name ☒ as charged ☐ is
- ☐ Court ORDERS the caption of the Indictment/Information be changed to reflect defendant's different true name. Counsel are directed to file all future documents reflecting the true name as stated on the record.
- ☒ Defendant advised of consequences of false statement in financial affidavit. All financial affidavits must be filed under seal.
- ☒ Attorney: Annick Jordan ☐ Retd. ☒ Apptd. ☐ Prev. Apptd. ☒ DFPD ☐ Panel ☐ Poss. Contribution
Ordered (see separate order) ☐ Special appearance by: *for today's appearance only.*
- ☐ Government's request for detention is: ☐ GRANTED ☐ DENIED ☐ WITHDRAWN ☐ CONTINUED
- ☐ Contested detention hearing is held. ☐ Defendant is ordered: ☐ Permanently Detained ☐ Temporarily Detained (see separate order)
- ☒ BAIL FIXED AT \$ 50,000 (SEE ATTACHED COPY OF CR-1 BOND FORM FOR CONDITIONS)
- ☐ Government moves to UNSEAL Complaint/Indictment/Information/Entire Case: ☐ GRANTED ☐ DENIED
- ☐ Preliminary Hearing waived. ☐ Class B Misdemeanor ☐ Defendant is advised of maximum penalties
- ☐ This case is assigned to Magistrate Judge _____ . Counsel are directed to contact the clerk for the setting of all further proceedings.
- ☐ PO/PSA WARRANT ☐ Counsel are directed to contact the clerk for District Judge _____ for the setting of further proceedings.
- ☒ Preliminary Hearing set for 6/27/2024 at 11:30 AM in Los Angeles
- ☒ Post-Indictment Arraignment set for: 7/2/2024 at 8:30 AM 11:30 in Los Angeles
- ☐ Government's motion to dismiss case/defendant _____ only: ☐ GRANTED ☐ DENIED
- ☐ Defendant's motion to dismiss for lack of probable cause: ☐ GRANTED ☐ DENIED
- ☐ Defendant executed Waiver of Rights. ☐ Process received.
- ☐ Court ORDERS defendant Held to Answer to _____ District of _____
- ☐ Bond to transfer, if bail is posted. Defendant to report on or before _____
- ☐ Warrant of removal and final commitment to issue. Date issued: _____ By CRD: _____
- ☐ Warrant of removal and final commitment are ordered stayed until _____
- ☐ Case continued to (Date) _____ (Time) _____ ☐ AM / ☐ PM
- ☐ Type of Hearing: _____ Before Judge _____ /Duty Magistrate Judge.
- Proceedings will be held in the ☐ Duty Courtroom ☐ Judge's Courtroom
- ☐ Defendant committed to the custody of the U.S. Marshal ☐ Summons: Defendant ordered to report to USM for processing.
- ☐ Abstract of Court Proceeding (CR-53) issued. Copy forwarded to USM.
- ☐ Abstract of Order to Return Defendant to Court on Next Court Day (M-20) issued. Original forwarded to USM.
- ☒ Electronic Release Order issued (if issued using Release Book: Release Order No. 41286).
- ☒ Other: *If retained counsel is not obtained, contributions will be ordered.*

RECEIVED: ☐ PSA ☐ PROBATION ☐ FINANCIAL ☐ CR-10 ☐ READY

Deputy Clerk Initials

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☐ Summons ☐ Out of District ☐ **UNDER SEAL** ☐ Modified Date:

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☒ Defendant ☐ Material Witness

☐ Maintain or actively seek employment unless excused by Supervising Agency for schooling, training, or other reasons approved by Supervising Agency. Verification to be provided to Supervising Agency. ☐ Employment to be approved by Supervising Agency.

☐ Avoid all contact, directly or indirectly (including by any electronic means), with any known victim or witness in the subject investigation or prosecution, ☐ including but not limited to _____; ☐ except for _____.

☐ Avoid all contact, directly or indirectly (including by any electronic means), with any known codefendants except in the presence of counsel. Notwithstanding this provision, you may have contact with the following codefendants without your counsel present: _____

☒ Do not possess any firearms, ammunition, destructive devices, or other dangerous weapons. ☒ Surrender any such item as directed by Supervising Agency by JUN 13, 2024 and provide proof to Supervising Agency. ☒ In order to determine compliance, you agree to submit to a search of your person and property by Supervising Agency, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement.

☐ Do not use or possess any identification, mail matter, access device (including, but not limited to, credit and debit cards), or any identification-related material other than in your own legal or true name without prior permission from Supervising Agency.

☐ In order to determine compliance, you agree submit to a search of your person and property by Supervising Agency, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement.

☐ Do not engage in telemarketing.

☐ Do not sell, transfer, or give away any asset valued at \$ _____ or more without notifying and obtaining permission from the Court, except _____.

☐ Do not engage in tax preparation for others.

☐ Do not use alcohol. ☐ Submit to alcohol testing. If directed to do so, participate in outpatient treatment as approved by Supervising Agency. Testing may include any form of prohibited-substance screening or testing. You must pay all or part of the costs for testing based upon your ability to pay as determined by Supervising Agency.

☐ Do not use or possess illegal drugs or state-authorized marijuana. ☐ Submit to drug testing. Testing may include any form of prohibited-substance screening or testing. You must pay all or part of the costs for testing based upon your ability to pay as determined by Supervising Agency. If directed to do so, participate in outpatient treatment as approved by Supervising Agency.

☐ In order to determine compliance, you agree to submit to a search of your person and property by Supervising Agency, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement.

☐ Do not use for purposes of intoxication any controlled substance analogue as defined by federal law or any street, synthetic, or designer psychoactive substance capable of impairing mental or physical functioning more than minimally, except as prescribed by a medical doctor.

☐ Participate in residential substance abuse treatment as directed by Supervising Agency. You must pay all or part of the costs of treatment based upon your ability to pay as determined by Supervising Agency. ☐ Release to Supervising Agency only.

☐ Participate in mental health treatment, which may include evaluation, counseling, or treatment as directed by Supervising Agency. You must pay all or part of the costs based upon your ability to pay as determined by Supervising Agency.

Defendant's Initials: SCDate: 6/6/24

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- ☐ Participate in the Location Monitoring Program marked below and abide by all of the requirements of the program and any indicated restrictions, under the direction of the Supervising Agency. You must pay all or part of the costs of the program based upon your ability to pay as determined by the Supervising Agency. You are financially responsible for any lost or damaged equipment.

1. Location Monitoring Restrictions (Select One)☐ Location Monitoring only - no residential restrictions☐ Curfew: Curfew requires you to remain at home during set time periods. (Select One)☐ As directed by Supervising Agency; or☐ You are restricted to your residence every day from _____ to _____

☐ Home Detention: Home detention requires you to remain at home at all times except for employment, education, religious services, medical needs or treatment, attorney visits, court appearances and obligations, essential needs, and _____, all of which must be preapproved by the Supervising Agency.

☐ Home Incarceration: Home Incarceration requires you to be at home 24 hours a day except for medical needs or treatment, attorney visits, court appearances or obligations, and _____, all of which must be preapproved by Supervising Agency.

2. Location Monitoring Technology (Select One)☐ Location Monitoring technology at the discretion of the Supervising Agency. (If checked, skip to 3)☐ Location Monitoring **with** an ankle monitor (Select one below)☐ at the discretion of the Supervising Agency or☐ Radio Frequency (RF) or☐ Global Positioning System (GPS)

or

☐ Location Monitoring **without** an ankle monitor (Select one below)☐ at the discretion of the Supervising Agency or☐ Virtual/Biometric (smartphone required to participate) or☐ Voice Recognition (landline required to participate)**3. Location Monitoring Release Instructions (Select One)**☐ Release to Supervising Agency only or ☐ Enroll in the location monitoring program within 24 hours of release.☐ You are placed in the third-party custody (Form CR-31) of _____.

☐ Clear outstanding ☐ warrants or ☐ DMV and traffic violations and provide proof to Supervising Agency within _____ days of release from custody.

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- ☐ Possess and use only those digital devices, screen usernames, email accounts, social media accounts, messaging applications and cloud storage accounts, as well as any passwords or passcodes for all such digital devices and accounts, that you disclosed to Supervising Agency upon commencement of supervision. You must disclose any new devices, accounts, application, passwords, or passcodes to Supervising Agency prior to the first use. A digital device is any electronic system or device that can access, view, obtain, store, or transmit digital data. ☐ In order to determine compliance, you agree to submit to a search of your person and property, including digital devices, by Supervising Agency, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement.
- ☐ All digital devices will be subject to monitoring by Supervising Agency. You must comply with the rules and regulations of the Computer Monitoring Program and must pay the cost of the Computer Monitoring Program.
- ☐ Do not use or possess more than one virtual currency wallet/account, and that one wallet/account must be used for all virtual currency transactions. Do not obtain or open a virtual currency wallet/account without prior approval of Supervising Agency. You must disclose all virtual currency wallets/accounts to Supervising Agency when supervision starts and must make them available to Supervising Agency upon request. You may use or possess only open public blockchain virtual currencies and are prohibited from using private blockchain virtual currencies unless prior approval is obtained from Supervising Agency. ☐ In order to determine compliance, you agree to submit to a search of your person and property, including computer hardware and software, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement.

Cases Involving a Sex-Offense Allegation

- ☐ Possess and use only those digital devices, screen usernames, email accounts, social media accounts, messaging applications and cloud storage accounts, as well as any passwords or passcodes for all such digital devices and accounts, that you disclosed to Supervising Agency upon commencement of supervision. You must disclose any new devices, accounts, application, passwords, or passcodes to Supervising Agency prior to the first use. A digital device is any electronic system or device that can access, view, obtain, store, or transmit visual depictions of sexually explicit conduct involving children. ☐ In order to determine compliance, you agree to submit to a search of your person and property, including digital devices, by Supervising Agency, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement.
- ☐ All digital devices will be subject to monitoring by Supervising Agency. You must comply with the rules and regulations of the Computer Monitoring Program and must pay the cost of the Computer Monitoring Program.
- ☐ Do not associate or have verbal, written, telephonic, electronic, or any other communication with any person under the age of 18 except in the presence of the parent or legal guardian of the minor after you have notified the parent or legal guardian of the pending charges or convictions involving a sex offense and only as authorized by Supervising Agency
- ☐ Do not enter or loiter within 100 feet of schoolyards, parks, public swimming pools, playgrounds, youth centers, video arcade facilities, amusement and theme parks, or other places frequented by persons under the age of 18 and only as authorized to do so by Supervising Agency.
- ☐ Do not be employed by, affiliated with, own, control, or otherwise participate directly or indirectly in the operation of any daycare facility, school, or other organization dealing with the care, custody, or control of children under the age of 18.
- ☐ Do not view or possess child pornography or child erotica, including but not limited to pictures, photographs, books, writings, drawings, or videos depicting or describing child pornography. ☐ In order to determine compliance, you agree to submit to a search of your person and property, including computer hardware and software, by Supervising Agency, which may be in conjunction with law enforcement..

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☐ Other conditions:

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF RELEASE

I will appear in person in accordance with any and all directions and orders relating to my appearance in the above entitled matter as may be given or issued by the Court or any judicial officer thereof, in that Court or before any Magistrate Judge thereof, or in any other United States District Court to which I may be removed or to which the case may be transferred.

I will abide by any judgment entered in this matter by surrendering myself to serve any sentence imposed and will obey any order or direction in connection with such judgment as the Court may prescribe.

I will immediately inform United States Probation and Pretrial Services and my counsel of any change in my contact information, including my residence and telephone number, including cell phone number, so that I may be reached at all times.

I will not commit a federal, state, or local crime during the period of release. I will inform Supervising Agency of law enforcement contact within 72 hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer.

I will not intimidate any witness, juror, or officer of the court or obstruct the criminal investigation in this case. Additionally, I will not tamper with, harass, or retaliate against any alleged witness, victim, or informant in this case. I understand that if I do so, I may be subject to further prosecution under the applicable statutes.

I will cooperate in the collection of a DNA sample under 42 U.S.C. § 14135a.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEFENDANT/MATERIAL WITNESS

As a condition of my release on this bond, pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, I have read or have had interpreted to me and understand the general conditions of release, the preconditions, and the additional conditions of release and agree to comply with all conditions of release imposed on me and to be bound by the provisions of Local Criminal Rule 46-6.

Furthermore, it is agreed and understood that this is a continuing bond (including any proceeding on appeal or review) which will continue in full force and effect until such time as duly exonerated.

I understand that violation of any of the general and/or additional conditions of release of this bond may result in a revocation of release, an order of detention, and a new prosecution for an additional offense which could result in a term of imprisonment and/or fine.

I further understand that if I fail to obey and perform any of the general and/or additional conditions of release of this bond, this bond may be forfeited to the United States of America. If said forfeiture is not set aside, judgment may be summarily entered in this Court against me and each surety, jointly and severally, for the bond amount, together with interest and costs. Execution of the judgment may be issued or payment secured as provided by the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and other laws of the United States, and any cash or real or personal property or the collateral previously posted in connection with this bond may be forfeited.

6/6/24
Date


Signature of Defendant / Material Witness

310-295-7814
Telephone Number

Studio City, CA
City and State (DO NOT INCLUDE ZIP CODE)

☐ Check if interpreter is used: I have interpreted into the _____ language this entire form and have been told by the defendant that he or she understands all of it.

Interpreter's Signature

Date

Approved: _____
United States District Judge / Magistrate Judge

Date

If cash deposited: Receipt # _____ for \$ _____

(This bond may require surety agreements and affidavits pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 46.)

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Date: 6/5/24